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SUBJ: TRADE ADJUSTMENT ASSISTANCE PROGRAM

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- 1. INFORMATION PROVIDED BY DEPARTMENT OF LABOR IN RESPONSE TO REFTEL FOLLOWS.
- 2. RESPONSE TO QUESTION (1). FY 1963-69, NO RPT NO PETITIONS WERE APPROVED. FY 1970-73, 71 PETITIONS AFFECT-ING 37,300 WORKERS WERE APPROVED. ALSO UNDER SEPARATE PROGRAM, INDUSTRY-WIDE DETERMINATIONS DURING FY 1970 AND FY 1972 WERE APPROVED FOR 4 INDUSTRIES RESULTING IN 4100 WORKERS CERTIFIED. GRAND TOTAL OF 41,400 WORKERS CERTIFIED FY 1963-73.
- 3. RESPONSE TO QUESTION (2). APPROXIMATELY 70 PERCENT OF WORKERS CERTIFIED HAVE RECEIVED CASH ALLOWANCES. (ABOUT 29,000 WORKERS). UNCLASSIFIED

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- 4. RESPONSE TO QUESTION (3). AVERAGE WEEKLY CASH ALLOWANCE ABOUT DOLS 70. AVERAGE TOTAL PER WORKER DOLS 2300 FOR UNEMPLOYMENT OF AVERAGE DURATION OF 33 WEEKS.
- 5. RESPONSE TO QUESTION (4). APPROXIMATELY 2 PERCENT TO 4 PERCENT OF WORKERS CERTIFIED HAVE RECEIVED TRAINING ASSISTANCE (I.E. ABOUT 900 TO 1600 WORKERS).
 6. RESPONSE TO QUESTION (5). LESS THAN 1 PERCENT OF WORKERS CERTIFIED RECEIVED RELOCATION ASSISTANCE (I.E. LESS THAN 400 WORKERS).
- 7. ALTHOUGH EASIER ACCESS CRITERIA OF ADMINISTRATION'S TRADE ADJUSTMENT PROPOSAL MAY SURVIVE, PROPOSAL IN GENERAL AND LIBERALIZED BENEFITS SECTION IN PARTICULAR WERE NOT ACCEPTED BY CONGRESSIONAL COMMITTEE. AS IT IS EXPECTED COMMITTEE WILL DEVELOP OWN ADJUSTMENT ASSISTANCE PACKAGE, ADMINISTRATION PROPOSAL NOT APPROPRIATE TO SEND TO POST AT THIS TIME. RUSH

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